

EUROPEAN CROPS SHORT, SAYS REPORT

Indications point to a general reduction in the crop of winter wheat in Europe as compared with last year, say experts of the Department of Agriculture, reporting on crop conditions. Spring wheat has done better.

A short fruit crop is looked for, complete failure being reported in Austria-Hungary, a poor yield in the United Kingdom, and a moderate crop, except small fruit, in Germany.

The area under sugar beets in Europe is reported to exceed that of last year by about 75,000 acres.

MONEY BUREAU ASSOCIATES GIVE C. T. SMITH A WATCH

Charles T. Smith, foreman of the printing division, night force, at the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, who tendered his resignation to devote his time to editing the Plate Printer, the official organ of the International Steel and Copperplate Printers' Union of North America, was presented with a handsome gold watch and chain yesterday afternoon. Yost Harbaugh made the presentation. A handsome floral piece, in the shape of a horseshoe, was also given Mr. Smith, who has been connected with the Bureau of Engraving and Printing for more than ten years.

The committee having the testimonial arrangements in charge consisted of James E. Bave, R. F. Lemat, Robert E. Major, E. J. Cunningham, and E. J. Burrows.

EXPO. MUST BE CLOSED ON SUNDAYS, SAYS U. S.

NORFOLK, Va., Aug. 17.—The Jamestown Exposition will not be opened on Sundays. The Government has finally decided not to sanction the project.

The fact that receipts have failed to come up to expectations led to the agitation of the Sunday opening, the belief prevailing that thousands of persons from nearby points would attend.

A deal of pressure was brought to bear on the Government authorities to secure their consent to keeping the fair running every day, but the proposition was definitely turned down tonight.

MOONSHIENRS PICK POSITIONS IN JAIL

MT. AIRY, N. C., Aug. 17.—A gentleman who visited the jail in which the "Smithtown" blockaders are imprisoned gives an interesting account of a conversation he had with the twelve men. Their ages range from eighteen or nineteen to about fifty. They had a great deal to say about what they proposed doing after sentence is passed and they all go to the penitentiary. They have each selected an occupation, some one thing and some another. One fairly old man said he proposed to bottom chairs, as he understood that kind of business. These men seem to be taking the thing easy—making the best of it they possibly can.

TAFT'S MONDAY SPEECH WILL TELL PLATFORM

If anyone has had doubts as to just where Secretary of War Taft stands regarding any important questions of the day, he will not have after next Tuesday morning. The speech he is to deliver on Monday night before the Buckeye Republican Club will be a complete exposition of his views concerning the Roosevelt policies, the Bryan policies, the Foraker policies, and the Taft policies. It will comprise the platform upon which he will conduct his campaign for the Republican nomination for the Presidency. Those who have seen advance copies of the speech, say it looks like a Presidential message. It contains about 20,000 words.

SALE OF HOME NEEDS, BARGAINS AT LISNER'S

The August sale of home needs, so long associated with A. Lisner's "Palais Royal," is now annually looked for by hosts of housekeepers. The advertisement of the coming sale includes an entire page of today's Times, to which every housekeeper can refer with profit. The claim of the management is that very much the lowest prices of the year are asked during these August sales. In some instances factories are assisted during the dull months and in many ways a great accumulation of best bargains is made. Forty thousand dollars' worth for \$25.00 are the figures quoted in today's advertisement, and, if illustrations can be relied upon, among the most attractive bargains of the year are embraced in this sale, which begins tomorrow morning.

IN PRISON 37 YEARS, MAN REFUSES PARDON

COLUMBUS, Aug. 17.—"I do not want a pardon; I don't want to get out," said John Taborn, now aged fifty-nine years, who was taken to the penitentiary when twenty-two years old. Efforts to get him a pardon have been made because he is bedridden in the prison hospital, and Governor Harris is believed to be ready to grant it. But Taborn prefers to live out his allotted days where he is. He was sent up for life for killing a man in a quarrel over some trivial matter. Taborn has never seen a trolley car or a skyscraper.

Gas Ranges

This Five-Burner
Perfect Gas Range

\$18.48

Pipe Connections Free

Just like the picture here shown. Is a fine five-top burner gas range, removable top grating and removable burners, extension shelves, large baking oven, separate broiling oven, two oven burners, pilot light, swing doors, and is nicely trimmed with nickel.

"It Pays to Deal Where Satisfaction Is Guaranteed"

Mayer & Co

Mc DOUGALL
KITCHEN CABINETS

409-417 Seventh St.

GRAND-RAPIDS
SECTIONAL BOOKCASES

"1900" Washers On 30 Days' Trial

It costs you nothing to try a "1900" Washer, and why not avail yourself of this offer. It's the only washing machine in the city that is sold on trial. You don't have to pay for it unless it suits you, and you know absolutely what you are buying. We'll gladly send you one for trial. You can pay us later.

Exclusive Agents



Great Cut-Price Furniture Sale

Our Mammoth Cut-Price Furniture Sale begins tomorrow. Every reduction offered is honestly made. There's no false boosting of prices at this store. Our regular price tags (marked in plain figures so that every customer may read them) always remain on each article. In addition to this our large Cut-Price Tags (also marked in plain figures) are now placed on each piece, showing at a glance the values offered during this sale.

You'll save much money by making your selections to fill present or future needs at this time. Every article is of the best; there's no old or undesirable patterns, and we will gladly store your selections for delivery later, if desired. Cash is not necessary here. We'll gladly charge any articles you may desire, and you can pay us later, as best suits your own convenience. We ask no notes and no interest.

Purchases Stored for Later Delivery

Have Your Selections Charged

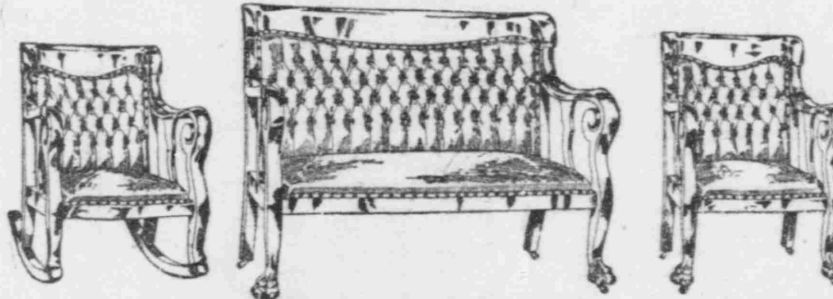
Bowen Refrigerators At Sacrifice Prices



We don't intend to carry any refrigerators over until next season, and have made sweeping reductions on the whole line to secure a speedy clearance. Every refrigerator is guaranteed to be absolutely perfect in every respect. (See our window display.)

\$8.48 Lenox Refrigerators \$5.48
Ice Capacity, 37 Pounds.
\$9.50 Refrigerators \$6.48
Ice Capacity, 45 Pounds.
\$21.50 Refrigerators \$15.75
Ice Capacity, 95 Pounds.
\$34 Bowen Refrigerators \$25.75
Ice Capacity, 220 Pounds.
\$85 Grocers' Refrigerators \$50.00
Ice Capacity, 500 Pounds.
DRIP PANS FREE.

Three-Piece Parlor Suites



\$22 Three-piece Parlor Suites \$16.39
Fine crotch mahogany finish three-piece parlor suites, have panel backs, high arms, French legs, are nicely polished and upholstered in French-cut verona.
\$38 3-Piece Parlor Suites \$28.65
Very heavy three-piece parlor suites, consisting of settee, large broad arm rocker, and arm chair, have roll top backs, carved panels, French legs, claw feet, nicely polished, and upholstered in French cut verona.
Fine \$60 Parlor Suites \$44.98
Very fine mahogany-finish three-piece suites, consisting of settee, arm chair, and large arm rocker; have panel backs, French legs, finely constructed and highly polished, and upholstered in fine silk verona velour.

Go-Carts At Quick-Selling Prices

This Steel-Frame Folding Go-Cart 99c
Steel frame folding go-cart just like the picture here shown. Has perforated back and seat, fine steel gear, enameled green, and heavy steel wheels. (Rubber tires 50 cents extra.)

Reclining Back Folding Go-Cart \$1.29
Fine reclining back folding go-cart, adjustable to three positions, has green enameled steel gear, heavy steel wheels, and is strongly constructed. (Rubber tires 50 cents extra.)
Reed Back Folding Go-Cart \$1.35
Very nicely made folding go-cart, has reed back, wood seat, foot rest, good steel folding gear, and heavy steel tires. (Rubber tires, 50 cents extra.)



Large \$8 Folding Go-Cart \$5.89
Very nicely made reed go-cart, has round reed roll top, cane seat, adjustable and reclining reed back and dash, steel folding gear, enameled green, and rubber tires.

\$12.00 Folding Go-Carts \$8.98
Large folding go-carts, have round reed roll sides, finely designed reed back and dash, adjustable and reclining attachments, cane seat, steel gear, green enamel, and rubber tires.
Fine \$21.00 Go-Cart \$14.98
Elegant all around reed go-carts, fancy shell shape designs, cane seat, finest reed dash, adjustable and reclining reed back, best steel folding gear, tubular steel pushers, and large rubber tires.



Sideboards

\$16 Solid Oak Sideboards \$8.98
Made of selected cabinet oak, have carved tops, French plate glass mirrors, three large drawers, two cupboards, strongly made and nicely finished.

Large \$27 Sideboards \$19.95
Made of American quartered oak, have massive canopy tops, large beveled French plate glass mirrors, swell front, lined silver drawers, large linen drawers and cupboards, brass trimmings, nicely carved and polished.

Heavy \$42.75 Sideboards \$33.50
Very heavily made sideboards, large flaked American quartered oak, finely carved canopy top, heavy round pillar supports, large French plate glass mirror, double serpentine swell front, lined silver drawers and large linen drawers, finely carved and nicely polished.



Slightly Used Pianos

At a Fraction of Their Value

These few slightly used pianos are offered at extraordinary prices during this week. They are high grade Byrne Pianos, some have only been out of the store a very short time, and all of them are in first class condition, practically as good as new. They're guaranteed for ten years, and tuned for a year free of charge.

\$300 Byrne Pianos \$200
\$350 Byrne Pianos \$265
\$350 Byrne Pianos \$279
\$400 Byrne Pianos \$325

Stool, Scarf, and Tuning Free



Chiffoniers

\$5.50 Solid Oak Chiffoniers \$4.39
Made of solid cabinet oak, have carved tops, five deep drawers, each drawer fitted with lock and key, solid brass trimmings, are strongly made and nicely finished.

\$13.50 Oak Chiffoniers \$9.95
Heavily made golden oak chiffoniers, have French plate glass mirrors, carved top, six deep drawers, locks and key, solid brass trimmings, and are nicely finished.

\$22 Golden Oak Chiffoniers \$16.35
Elegant quartered golden oak, have heavy French plate glass mirrors, carved standards, serpentine swell front, five drawers, solid brass trimmings, French legs, and high-rubbed polish.

Fine \$32 Chiffoniers \$24.50
Elegant Grand Rapids quartered oak chiffoniers, like illustration, have large French plate mirrors, full serpentine swell front, five deep drawers, solid brass trimmings, French legs, and fine hand-rubbed polish.

\$40 Mahogany Chiffoniers \$29.95
Finely made mahogany chiffoniers, carved standards, large French plate glass mirrors, serpentine swell front, six deep drawers, brass trimmings, French legs, and highly polished.



Extension Tables

This Solid Quartered Oak Table \$25.39
Very elegantly made Solid Quartered Oak Extension Table, like illustration; top is 44 inches in diameter and extends to six feet in length; has finely carved pedestal base, heavy claw feet, and high hand rubbed polish.

\$30 Pedestal Table \$22.48
Massive solid quartered oak pedestal table, top is 44 inches square, extends to six feet in length, has very heavy pedestal base made in one piece, carved claw feet, handsomely made and finely polished.

\$18 Round Table \$13.48
Very heavy round extension table, made of American quartered oak, strongly constructed, top is 44 inches in diameter, extends to six feet in length, has five heavy fluted legs, carved claw feet, and is nicely polished.



Dining Chairs

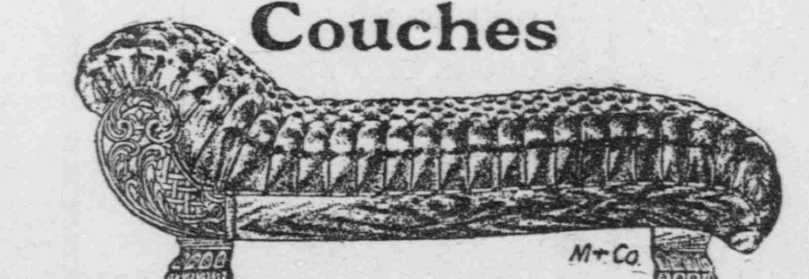
This Golden Oak Box-Seat Chair \$1.79
Made of selected golden oak, has high panel back, good cane box seat, French legs, and is nicely polished. Here's a chair that's practically indestructible, and it's offered at a fraction of its real worth. (Not over four sold to one customer.)



\$4 Quartered Oak Chairs \$2.98
Made of solid quartered oak, have carved panel backs, saddle shaped box seat, French legs, and high hand rubbed polish.

\$1.00 Wood-Seat Chairs 69c
Strongly made solid oak chairs, have high backs, brace arms, turned legs and rungs, Roman shaped wood seats, strongly made, and nicely finished.

Couches



\$9.50 Velour-Covered Couches \$5.48
Nicely made couches, have frames of solid oak, turned feet, good spring construction, button tufted, and upholstered in fancy figured velour.

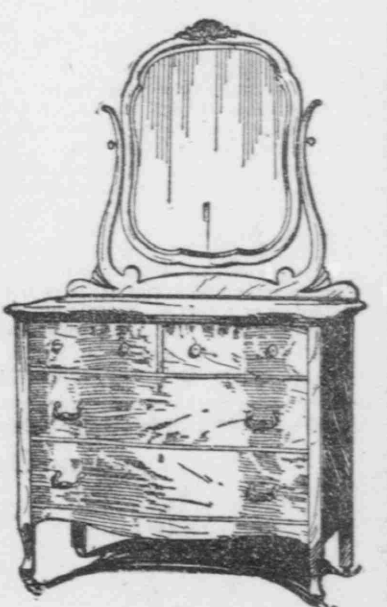
\$12.50 Couches \$9.35
Nicely constructed couches, have frames of golden oak, carved claw feet, full spring head and spring edge, button tufted, and upholstered in fancy French cut verona.
Fine \$25 Couches \$18.79
Made on frames of quartered oak, nicely carved, and polished; high spring head, full spring edge, seven wide rows of button tufts, and upholstered in fancy Gobelin tapestry.

Dressers

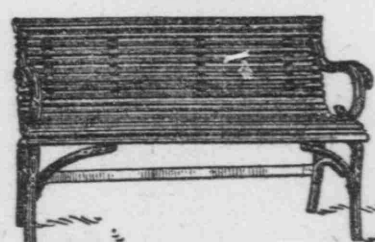
\$12 Solid Oak Dressers \$8.75
Made of selected golden oak, have French plate glass mirrors, carved tops, four drawers, solid brass trimmings, nicely constructed and finished.

\$25 Mahogany Dressers \$18.75
Finely made mahogany finish dressers, have large beveled French plate glass mirrors, serpentine swell front, four drawers, solid brass trimmings, French legs, and high hand-rubbed polish.

Fine \$30 Dressers \$22.50
Very handsomely made quartered oak dressers, like illustration. Grand Rapids make; have large shaped French plate glass mirrors, carved standards, full serpentine swell front, four drawers, French legs, and finely polished.



Clearance of Summer Furniture



This 4-foot Bentwood Settee \$2.45
Just like the picture here shown. Is made of bent wood throughout, has bent arms, legs, and braces, nicely rounded back, and strongly made. Choice of red or green, while they last, \$2.45.

\$1.10 Folding Settees 89c

Porch Rockers

This \$2.50 Porch Rocker \$1.98
Very heavily constructed Porch Rocker, has large turned posts, turned rungs; seat and back is of doubly woven rattan; finished in natural white maple finish and with mirror polish.

Massive \$3.50 Porch Rocker \$2.69
Very heavily constructed porch rockers, have massive turned posts, broad arms, heavy double woven reed back and seat, turned rungs, and finished in natural white maple finish, with mirror polish.

Heavy \$2.10 Porch Rockers \$1.35
Heavily made, broad arm porch rockers, constructed of best white oaks, have high spindled backs, turned posts and rungs, heavy arms, double woven rattan seat, and is nicely painted in green.

